

REMARKS

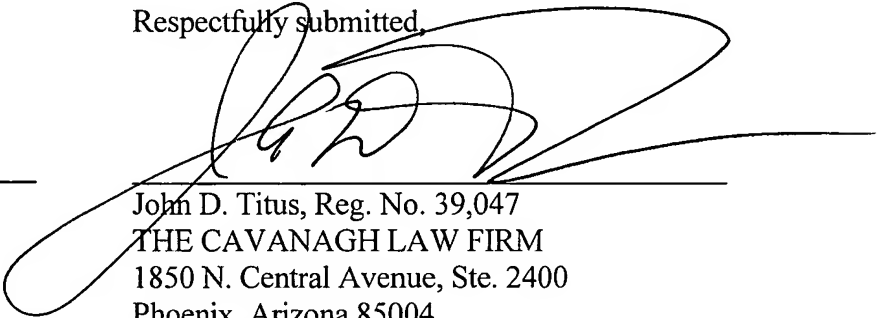
Claims 1, 5-11, 15 and 18 were pending in the application. Claims 1, 5-10, 15 and 18 are canceled by this amendment. Claim 11 remains in the application. The examiner indicated that claim 15 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. For the sake of brevity, since there are no intervening claims upon which claim 15 depended, instead of rewriting claim 15 to include all of the limitations of claim 11, claim 11 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claim 15.

Conclusion

No new matter is introduced by the amendments herein. Based on the foregoing, applicants believe that all claims under consideration are in a condition for allowance and reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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